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Docket No. GC593

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 09/435,461 Confirmation No. 5249
For: ENZYMES USEFUL FOR CHANGING
THE PROPERTIES OF POLYESTER
Applicant: Dyson et al.
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Preliminary Amendment

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the following preliminary amendment and request for suspension of prosecution of this application pending prosecution of a divisional application filed September 4, 2002 (USSN 10/234,574).

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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